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SUBJECT: OAS EXPERTS MEETING ON GSP

1. THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON JULY 1 UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING A RESOLUTION OF CECON IN SANTO DOMINGO LAST APRIL RESOLVING "TO HOLD A MEETING OF GOVERNMENT EXPERTS OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF CECON IN WASHINGTON IN OCTOBER 1978, TO EVALUATE AND ANALYZE THE POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE ELEMENTS DEMONSTRATED BY THE EXPERIENCE OF THE PERIOD DURING WHICH THE GSP HAS BEEN IN OPERATION, IN ORDER TO PREPARE A TECHNICAL DOCUMENT FOR CONSIDERATION AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF CECON TO BE HELD DURING THE PRESENT YEAR." THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION CONFIRMS THE CONVOCA-
TION OF THE MEETING "FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPLORING WAYS OF IMPROVING THE OPERATION" OF GSP.

2. THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO EXPAND THE U.S. COMMITMENT WITH REGARD TO THE MEETING. WE FINALLY
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ACCEPTED THE LANGUAGE OF EXPLORING WAYS OF IMPROVING OPERATION OF GSP, AS IMPLICIT IN THE ORIGINAL CECON RESOLUTION AND THEREFORE NOT ALTERING THE MEETING'S TERMS OF REFERENCE. WE HOPE TO FOCUS THE MEETING ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF GSP INSTEAD OF ON CHANGES THAT WOULD REQUIRE LEGISLATION. WE ALSO HOPE THAT OTHER COUNTRIES WILL INDEED SEND EXPERTS. FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

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